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August 14, 2012

Andrew Locke Vice President Hydro Management Group, LLC c/o Essex Hydro Associates, LLC 55 Union Street, 4th Floor Boston, MA 02108

Re: **DE 12-213**, Hydro Management Group, LLC's Eligibility Request for the Alden Hydro, LLC – Otis Company No.1 Mill Hydroelectric Facility to Produce Class IV New Hampshire Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) Pursuant to RSA 362-F and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272

Dear Mr. Locke:

On July 13, 2012, Hydro Management Group, LLC (Hydro Management) submitted an application requesting Class IV certification for the Alden Hydro, LLC – Otis Company No.1 Mill Hydroelectric (Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro) facility pursuant to RSA 362-F, New Hampshire's Renewable Portfolio Standard law and Laws of 2012, Chapter 272. Staff has reviewed the application and recommends approval, noting that the Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro application was completed on July 13, 2012 in accordance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Puc 2500.

Pursuant to Laws of 2012, Chapter 272, existing small hydroelectric facilities with a total nameplate capacity of one megawatt (MW) or less are eligible for Class IV RECs if they are in compliance with applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) fish passage restoration requirements, and are interconnected with an electric distribution system located in New Hampshire. Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro is located on the Souhegan River in Greenville, NH.

Alden Hydro, LLC provided FERC approvals for Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro under project number (7921-000) as well as a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The start date for commercial operation was January 19, 1982: the nameplate capacity generation is .200 MW of electricity.

The Commission has reviewed the Alden Hydro, LLC – Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro application and determined that all the necessary documentation has been provided to

demonstrate that it is eligible for Class IV certification. Therefore, the Commission hereby certifies Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro as a Class IV renewable energy source eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs effective on July 13, 2012.

The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 908. Attached please find a copy of the notice of this certification provided to the GIS administrator. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code for the Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro is NH-IV-12-039.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland Executive Director

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Dear Mr. Webb:

Please be advised that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission has certified the Alden Hydro, LLC – Otis Company No.1 Mill Hydroelectric (Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro) facility as a Class IV renewable energy source effective July 13, 2012 pursuant to NH RSA 362-F. Accordingly, Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro is eligible to be issued New Hampshire Class IV RECs.

Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro is located on the Souhegan River in Greenville, NH and has a nameplate capacity of .200 MW of electrical production. The project began commercial operation January 19, 1982. Alden Hydro, LLC has provided evidence that Otis Co. #1 Mill Hydro operates in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission fish passage restoration requirements (Project Number 7921-000) and has provided a copy of the operating agreement with Public Service Company of New Hampshire. The facility's NEPOOL generation information system (GIS) facility code is MSS 908. The New Hampshire Renewable Portfolio Standard certification code is NH-IV-12-039.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland Executive Director

cc: Andrew Locke, Hydro Management Group, LLC

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- b) Serve an electronic copy with each person identified on the Commission's service list and with the Office of Consumer Advocate.
- c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.